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SMALLPOX.

What appears to be the virulent type of smallpox is reported at Worcester, Mass., where during the month of April there were reported 5 cases with 2 deaths. During the first 15 days of May 10 additional cases were reported.

SCARLET FEVER.

PREVALENCE IN CITIES DURING 1916.¹

The table which follows shows the recorded prevalence of scarlet fever during the year 1916 in cities of the United States having over 100,000 population. The cities have been divided into groups according to their population and arranged in each group in the order of the prevalence of the disease as indicated by the recorded cases. Data are given for all the cities of the United States having an estimated population of 100,000 or over as of July 1, 1916, with the exception of Cambridge, Mass., and Memphis, Tenn.

City.	Indicated case rate per 1,000 inhabitants.	Indicated fatality rate per 100 cases.	Cases reported.	Deaths registered.	Indicated death rate per 1,000 inhabitants.	Population July 1, 1916 (estimated by U. S. Census Bureau).
Over 500,000 inhabitants:						
Los Angeles, Cal.	0.711	1.40	358	5	0.010	503,812
Philadelphia, Pa.	.976	2.40	1,668	40	.023	1,709,518
New York, N. Y.	1.038	1.65	5,814	96	.017	5,602,841
Pittsburgh, Pa.	1.160	2.68	672	18	.031	579,090
Cleveland, Ohio	1.285	4.62	866	40	.059	674,073
Baltimore, Md.	1.638	3.11	966	30	.051	589,621
St. Louis, Mo.	1.809	3.28	1,370	45	.059	757,309
Boston, Mass.	2.332	2.21	1,764	39	.052	756,476
Detroit, Mich.	3.330	2.99	1,904	57	.100	571,784
Chicago, Ill.	3.476	1.84	8,681	160	.064	2,497,722
From 300,000 to 500,000 inhabitants:						
New Orleans, La.	.269	1.00	100	1	.003	371,747
Seattle, Wash.	.404		141			348,639
Cincinnati, Ohio	.955	.51	392	2	.005	410,476

¹ The data in the table are taken from the article "The notifiable diseases—Prevalence during 1916 in cities of over 100,000," Pub. Health Repts., Apr. 27, 1917, pp. 595-607.

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